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PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: **Shingo TAKEDA et al.**

Serial Number: Not Yet Assigned
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For: **WATER-BORNE URETHANE RESIN COMPOSITION FOR FORMING
MICROPOROUS LAYER, METHOD OF PRODUCING FIBROUS SHEET-
LIKE COMPOSITE, AND ARTIFICIAL LEATHER**

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

July 30, 2001

Sir:

Prior to the calculation of the filing fees of the above application, please amend the application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend claims 3, 4, 6-8 and 11-17 as follows:

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3. (Amended) A water-borne urethane resin composition for forming a microporous layer as claimed in claim 1, wherein said water-borne urethane resin (1) is a water-borne urethane resin having an average particle diameter of 0.1 to 5 μm .